

324 Gay St.
Chester, Tenn.

Mr Eric F. Newman -

Dear Sir -

I read in the Globe Denver &
that you are a collector of old
Currency - I have in my possession
the currency listed below - Can
you tell me if they have any value?

1 - \$5 bill - The Merchants Bank - # 510 - of
Massillon, Ohio - No date legible on it -
1 - \$20 Bill - Confederate States of America
February 17th - 1864

2 Union Military Bonds - \$1 each -

(1) - 1863 - (1) 1865 -

1 - \$500 - treasurer of the Town of Lebanon
State of Illinois - 1862

2 - \$100 - St. Claire Savings & Ins. Co., Belleville, Ill
both 1862 - Any advice will be
greatly appreciated - Sincerely Wm. J. Baetke

March 5, 1964

Mrs. M. J. Boettcher
324 Owydyke St.
Chester, Illinois

Dear Mrs. Boettcher:

It was nice for you to write me about the old currency you saw in the Globe Democrat.

Some of the notes which you listed have some value and if you would like to dispose of them I certainly will be glad to buy a couple and sell some to others for you.

I am trying to set up my collection in the Old Court House, in St. Louis, so that the public can enjoy it when they visit the Jefferson National Memorial Arch.

The Confederate bill is very common. Your Ohio bill is about 1854 and is often found in this area. The other Civil War pieces you have are quite interesting and I would like to see their condition before I could give an estimate of their value.

If you send them to me I want to assure you that a reasonable price will be offered and your satisfaction will be obtained before any of them are sold.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC
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May 8, 1964

Mrs. M. J. Boettcher
324 Opdyke
Chester, Illinois 62233

Dear Mrs. Boettcher:

I can obtain \$5.00 each for some of the notes which you were nice enough to send me and wanted to know if that was satisfactory to you. As you realize, several of the notes are in very poor condition.

I am returning the \$20 Confederate States note because this is one which is not scarce and I know you would like to keep it.

Of the six remaining notes, tell me how many you want me to sell and I will endeavor to do so.

Your oil paintings sound very interesting and if they are of local people or scenes at the time of the Civil War it would be worth while to know what type of scene they may depict.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN

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Chester ~~Sid~~
April 28th 1964

Dear Sid -

I am enclosing the old currency
I wrote you about - As per your
letter of March 5th - Please advise
me what they are worth before
selling them - If their value
is small I would prefer to
keep them - They are a collec-
tional piece in the home -
I have 2 meteorian shales,
exactly as those in the
Stephen Foster home in Kentucky
also 2 oil paintings about
90 or 100 yrs old - So the old
currency goes right in with
these -

Thank you -

Mrs M. J. Dastick
324 Ogden St.

Groster Illinois
May - 17 - 1964

Mr Eric P. Newman -

Dear Sir -

In answer to your letter
of May 8th - My husband feels
he would rather keep the
notes if they are only worth
5 each -

Our oil paintings are nat
scenes of Civil War - They are
The Danish Fishergirl and
The Sicilian Fishergirl - by G. Lenz.
Sorry I have bothered you but
I thought the notes were worth
more - Thank you -

Sincerely
Mrs. M. J. Baetcher.

May 22, 1964

Mrs. M. J. Boettcher
324 Opdyke
Chester, Illinois 62233

Dear Mrs. Boettcher:

Thank you for your letter of May 17, 1964.

In view of the fact that you had in the group of notes two of the St. Clair Savings 10¢ pieces and two of the \$1 Union Military Bonds, I thought you might be willing to exchange with me a duplicate of each and I am sending to you, for the two duplicates, three notes which are of more value and possibly more interesting to you than having duplicates of the same pieces.

I am enclosing a \$2 and a \$20 State of Missouri note of 1862 and a \$3 Bank of Cairo of 1839 issued at Kaskaskia, Illinois. This bank was a very important bank in the early days of Illinois and because it is so near Chester, I thought you would enjoy having it since I have a duplicate of it.

I am returning the balance of your notes and hope that you will continue to get pleasure out of them.

Sincerely yours,

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